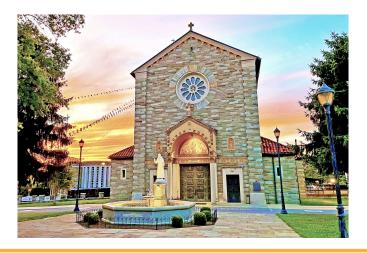
St. Anthony of Padua Parish

WILMINGTON, DELAWARE



April 21, 2024

Pastor

Rev. Mark J. Wrightson, O.S.F.S.

Parochial Vicar

Rev. Sleeva Raju Kala, O.S.F.S.

Oblate in Residence

Rev. Francis J. Rinaldi, O.S.F.S.



Masses

Sunday9:00, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm Monday - Friday6:45 am Saturday6:45 am & 5:00 pm Holidays & Holy Days Consult the bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday......4:00 - 4:45 pm *Any time by appointment at the rectory.*

For guidance with respect to Baptisms and weddings, please contact the rectory at 302-421-3700 / parish@stanthonynet.org.

PLEASE NOTE: Weddings must be booked at least one year in advance of planned wedding date.

Contacts

Rectory302-421-3700; Fax 302-421-3705 901 N. DuPont St., Wilmington, DE 19805

St. Anthony Grade School.......302-421-3743 9th & Scott Sts., Wilmington, DE 19805 Judith Jakotowicz White, *Principal*

Parish Business Manager

Bob Shields 302-421-3700 ext. 207

Coordinator of Liturgy & Music

Stephen Adams......302-421-3700

Registration: New parishioners are requested to contact the rectory and schedule an appointment with the Parish Secretary.

Italian Festival 302-421-2790

Knights of Columbus-St. Pius X Council William Giles, Grand Knight 302-824-8132

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Padua Academy Website: www.paduaacademy.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/paduaacademy

St. Anthony's Italian Festival: www.sapde.org/italianfestival Facebook: www.facebook.com/stanthonysfestival



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

APRIL 21, 2024



Monday, 6:45 AM

4/22

Tuesday, 4/23

6:45 AM

Wednesday, 4/24

6:45 AM

ALICE M. SEABERG JOHN & EILEEN

Thursday, 6:45 AM

4/25

Friday,

4/26

6:45 AM

4/27 Saturday,

6:45 AM

5:00 PM **PARISHIONERS**

Sunday,

4/28

9:00 AM 11:00 AM CAROL CIOTTI PRZYCHODZIEN HUSBAND THOMAS FIDANCE WIFE MARIE & FAMILY



Next Sunday's Readings 1st Reading:

Acts 9:26-31

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32

2nd Reading:

1 John 3:18-24

Gospel:

John 15:1-8

"God's Plan for Giving"

OFFERTORY COLLECTION FOR 04/14/24

TOTAL OFFERTORY COLLECTION: \$ 7,415.00 Avg. Collection Last Fiscal Year: \$ 7,973.28 Actual vs. Last F/Y: \$558.28 **Percent Difference This Week:** 7.0% **Total Difference Fiscal Year to Date:** +\$20,134.58

Thank you for your sacrifice of tithing!



In today's Gospel we experience Jesus describing Himself as the Good Shepherd and what this means. St. Francis de Sales reminds us that we are all shepherds who must tend our sheep:

Our Good Shepherd gathers us all around Himself in order to keep us always under His most holy protection. But we too are shepherds and have a flock to attend. Our flock is our desires, feelings and emotions. We must keep watch over this spiritual flock, by learning from Jesus how to govern ourselves.

Since we easily mismanage ourselves, Our Good Shepherd wants us to give up such self-management except to consent and follow His Will. He desires what is best for our wholeness. Following in the footsteps of the Good Shepherd, we learn how to direct, to govern and put our desires, feelings and emotions in order, so that they conform to God's goodness. What could be more pleasing to this Divine Shepherd than to bring to Him our loves so that He may purify them? Holy love is our first desire. True love is accomplished when we live no longer according to our own willful desires, but according to the inspirations and promptings of Our Savior.

Shepherd tenderly nourishes us incomprehensible love. He died in love, by love, and for love. To bring us life, He suffered death. What remains for us? We ought to consecrate every moment of our life to the divine love of our Savior's death that opened us up to eternal life. That is, we must bring to fruition all our works, all our actions and all our thoughts so that God's glory may shine through them. How happy we will be if we remain in the Shepherd's presence, faithfully bringing His reign in our midst!

The Oblates

"To advance well we must apply ourselves to make good way in the road nearest to us, and do the first day's journey."

St. Francis de Sales

We welcome the recently Baptized:

Capri Camelia Schrader

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In your charity, please pray for **Luci Cappelle Deputy Thomas Whitfield**

and all the deceased of St. Anthony's.

Your Prayers and Support Requested

Eve Archangelo Buzzy Cooke Joe Formisano Rudy Husfelt Gay Meriggi Cindy O'Neil Marlene Papillo Fr. Francis J. Pileggi Karen Ciarlo Sestak

Alexandra Sparco

Allison Auld
Michael John D'Alto
Tara Fridley
Lynn McElroy
Samuel Mirabella
Dolores O'Neill
LeVon Peterson
Keith Preston

Joseph Setting, III

Mary Stabley

Toni Bricker
Luci Deputy
Christopher Ganey
Eva Meriggi
Wayne Norris
Kelly Panella
Louis Petrulo
Valerie Preston
Pat Sianni
Marie Stecko

...and all the sick of St. Anthony's Parish.

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Sodality

The Blessed Virgin Mary Sodality is a faith-based women's organization that honors the Blessed Mother and leads initiatives to support the St. Anthony of Padua Parish. Sodality Communion Sunday is held every third Sunday of the month from September through May (except December). The office of the Blessed Mother is recited at 8:40 a.m. followed by 9:00 a.m. Mass. Monthly Meetings are held in the Ballad Room promptly after Mass. All women 14 years of age and over are welcome to attend. If you have any questions, please email BVMSodality@stanthonynet.org, or contact Tina Madanat, President, at 302-547-1582.



To purchase tickets online, go to CatholicCharitiesDelaware.Simpletix.com.

Respect Life



"To be clear: Catholics cannot provide, support or encourage abortion. Catholic political leaders have a serious obligation in this matter. Abortion is sinful; it is immoral. It destroys life and exploits women. Disciples of Christ do not support abortion. Period."

Bishop Thomas J. Tobin

April is Abortion Recovery Awareness Month

Are you or someone you love suffering from a traumatic pregnancy loss and experiencing:

- Depression
- Anxiety and panic attacks
- Intense grief, sadness, rage
- Feelings of shame and guilt
- Suicidal thinking and behavior
- Drug or alcohol abuse
- Problems maintaining intimate relationships
- Eating disorders
- Nightmares, flashbacks



Experience forgiveness and be freed from shame. Confidential, compassionate, non-judgmental help is available. You're not alone:

- For an in-person weekend retreat:
- RachelsVineyard.org

For online and/or in-person* Bible-based programs:
 HerChoiceToHeal.com (part of RamahInternational.org)
 SaveOne.org

SheFoundHisGrace.org

Contemporary Christian Music Night of Song Prayer

Sunday, April 21, from 5:00 to 6:00 pm at Resurrection Parish, 3000 Videre Dr, Wilmington. Song sheets will be provided! Snacks to follow.

Birthright of Delaware



... will host its Annual Mother's Day Rose Sale at our parish. Please support Birthright's pregnancy services by purchasing roses after Masses on Mother's Day weekend which is May 10th - 12th.

Roses cost:
\$3/one Rose
\$5/three Roses
\$20/Dozen Roses
\$45/Twenty-five Roses (Bouquet)

Your help will truly make a difference! Thank you! We deeply appreciate your support!! You can also make a donation to Birthright of DE in lieu of roses, our address is: 1311 North Scott Street Wilmington, DE 19806

Parish Calendar

Saturday

11:00 AM, Baptism

Sunday

12:30 PM, Baptism



Monday, Apr. 22

through

Sunday, Apr. 28

(All events listed in the Parish Calendar are in church unless otherwise noted.)

Grade School Calendar

Wednesday

1:00 PM, Padua & Salesianum

Visit 6th & 7th Graders

Friday

Noon Dismissal

Saturday

YAC Student Achievement Banquet

2024 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal "One Body, One Spirit in Christ"

The 2024 Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal will be conducted in parishes throughout the diocese **this weekend**. Once a year, our Bishop asks each of us to make a commitment to support the work of diocesan programs and ministries that provide services that no one parish can offer on its own. Your gift helps our Church to serve the poor, the sick, the distressed, our children and our elderly.

As parishioners of St. Anthony of Padua Parish, we are being asked to serve others by sharing our resources. Your generosity enables us to accompany our brothers and sisters in need.

Our parish target is \$41,000.00. Your financial support of the Appeal also provides funding for our parish, since once achieving the goal assigned to our parish, we receive 100% of monies collected for our own parish and ministry needs.

Please prayerfully consider your generous gift to this Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal.

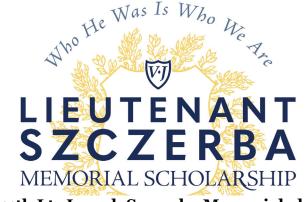


To learn more about the Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal, visit www.cdow.org; click "Giving" then "Faith and Charity Catholic Appeal," or simply scan this QR code with your cellphone.



ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA PARISH

St. Anthony's is proud to celebrate a century of ministry and service, commemorating the selfless dedication of so many who labored to create the parish we love and cherish today. We will mark our centennial over the year ahead with fun and memorable events. This milestone moment is even more special as we also celebrate the 50th anniversary of the Italian Festival and the 70th anniversary of St. Anthony of Padua Grade School and Padua Academy! Stay tuned for details on our upcoming festivities as we honor our legacy and work together in forging the future as we begin our second century!



11th Lt. Joseph Szczerba Memorial 5k April 25, 2024 – Thursday Wilmington, DE

https://raceroster.com/events/2024/85747/11th-lt-joseph-szczerba-memorial-5k

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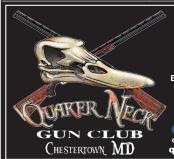
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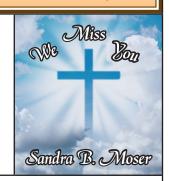
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